ORDER NO. 3103-05—C. R. B. 15-31-1, DATED 4TH DECEMBER 1931.

Government are pleased to approve of the proposal of the Central Recruitment Board and to direct that the following instructions be followed for a period of two years in the first instance with regard to the disposal of all the vacancies of Accountants in grade Rs. 50—4—90 in the Forest Department:—

1. The first batch of Accountants' vacancies should be separately classified into direct recruitment and promotion vacancies.

2. After classification, all the vacancies (both direct recruitment and promotion) may be filled up by the promotion of eligible and deserving officials of the lower grades.

3. The consequential vacancies in the grade of Rs. 25—2—45 caused by the promotion of persons to the promotion vacancies of Accountants (referred to in clause 1 above) may be classified into Special or General vacancies as the case may be and disposed of under the ordinary rules of recruitment.

4. The other consequential vacancies in the grade of Rs. 25—2—45 caused by the promotion of persons to the direct recruitment vacancies of Accountants (referred to in clause 1 above) may also be classified into Special or General as the case may be but should be disposed of as noted below:—

(*a*) A degree of a University should be prescribed as the qualification for recruits to these vacancies.

(*b*) The selected candidates should be started on a pay of Rs. 35 per mensem in the grade of Rs. 25—2—45.

(*c*) The officials referred to in (*b*) above should be promoted in preference to their seniors in the lower grades to the vacancies of Accountants on Rs. 50—4—90 in the next and subsequent batches which are registered as direct recruitment vacancies but permitted to be filled up by promotion as above, provided that such officials are qualified at the time by passing Accounts Higher and Departmental Examinations. The promotion of these officials should be in the order in which they were first recruited in their original appointments. The above condition should be notified in the Gazette while advertising such vacancies.

5. The consequential vacancies that again become available by the promotion of the officials referred to in (*b*) and (*c*) of para 4 above should be disposed of in the manner indicated in the para.

A report as to the working of this scheme should be submitted to Government at the end of two years.

The question of prescribing the G. D. A. or other suitable qualifications for the vacancies of Accountants may also be examined in the meanwhile.

H. V. RAMASVAMI,
Secretary to Government,
General Department.

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT.

Amendment to Article 150A, Mysore Service Regulations.

ORDER NO. FL. 4315-75—S. & A. 54-31-17, DATED 21ST DECEMBER 1931.

Addenda and Corrigenda to Mysore Service Regulations.

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Article 150A introduced by correction slip No. 174, dated 3rd August 1929.

The following amendment to Article 150A, Mysore Service Regulations, is hereby issued:—

Substitute "Privilege leave only" for "leave on full average salary at the rate of 1/11th of duty," in lines 2 and 3 of (b).

By Order,
B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,
Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

Administration of the Income-tax Department.

READ—

Letter No. C. 19—31-32, dated 25th October 1931, from the Commissioner of Income-tax forwarding the Report on the Administration of the Income-tax Department for the year 1930-31.

ORDER NO. Fl. 4293-311—I. T. 22-31-3, DATED 17—18TH DECEMBER 1931.

Recorded.

2. The year under review was marked by certain important changes :—

(i) The Deputy Commissioner of the Bangalore District was relieved of all Income-tax work, original as well as appellate, and the work of the whole District including the City as well as that of the Mysore City and Taluk was entrusted to the Special Deputy Commissioner of Income-tax.

(ii) Legislation to revise the rates of income-tax from 1st July 1931 was undertaken and Income-tax Amendment Regulation No. II of 1931 was passed.

(iii) A rule was framed prescribing the method of computing the taxable income from Tea Estates.

(iv) Provision was made in the rules for the grant of relief to assessees by exempting from liability to tax, sums received by them as bonus or commission for services rendered when such sums have been paid out of profits assessed to tax.

3. *Assessment Work.*—The number of assessments made during the year was 5,650 against 5,593 in the preceding year.

4. *Demand and Collection.*—There was a fall in gross demand mainly due to depression in trade. The gross demand including opening arrears under Income-tax and Super-tax was Rs. 9,70,743 and Rs. 3,35,434 against Rs. 10,37,124 and Rs. 3,66,249 respectively of the previous year.

The net demand and collections under Income-tax were Rs. 9,66,457 and Rs. 8,94,319 against Rs. 9,58,706 and Rs. 8,81,864 in the preceding year. Super-tax was levied in 22 cases. The net demand and collection under Super-tax amounted to Rs. 3,35,433 and Rs. 3,33,271 against Rs. 3,66,248 and Rs. 3,54,820 respectively of the year previous. The balance remaining to be collected under Income-tax at the close of the year was heavy (Rs. 74,566) and it is hoped that efforts will be made for the speedy collection of all recoverable arrears.

5. The incidence of tax was two annas five pies under Income-tax and ten pies under Super-tax against two annas ten pies and one anna respectively of the previous year.

6. One other noticeable feature of the year was the large decrease in refunds under Section 49 which amounted to Rs. 44,223 against 1,20,200 in the preceding year. Owing to the enhancement of the tax in the United Kingdom, the relief to assessees from the Mysore State was proportionately less.

7. *Reference to High Court.*—There were four references to the High Court during the year under Section 66 of the Income-tax Regulation. Including the three cases pending at the close of the previous year, seven cases had to be dealt with, of which four were disposed of. The decision in three cases was favourable to Government, and one was remanded for disposal by the Commissioner of Income-tax.

8. *Inspection.*—The Inspections by the Commissioner of Income-tax and by the Deputy Commissioners were adequate.

9. Government note that the administration of the Department during the year under review was satisfactory.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,
Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.